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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application, as set forth below.

In The Specification:

Please amend paragraph no. [0001] on page 1 to read as follows:

[0001] This application claims the benefit of (1) U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/241,771 filed October 19, 2000 and entitled "Firm Underwritten Equity FaciLity" and (2) U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/757,215 filed January 9, 2001 and entitled "A System and

Method for Firm Underwritten Equity Facility (FUEL)". Both applications are expressly incorporated herein, in their entireties, by reference.

REMARKS

The specification have been amended to correct typographical errors.

Respectfully submitted,

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First Paragraph, Page 1

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